

**Town of Webster
Conservation Commission
Minutes of the Meeting – December 19, 2016**

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Attending: Commissioners – Richard Franas, Frederick Bock, Paul Fiske and Joseph Kunkel.
Staff – Mary Overholt, Conservation Agent

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Absent: Commissioners - David Audette, Beau Saad.

Meeting called to order: 5:30 p.m.

Location: Basement Conference Room

Minutes

Mr. Fiske motioned to approve the minutes from Dec. 5. Mr. Bock second. Vote all in favor.

Notice of Intent

63 Colonial Dr. - Chairman Franas opened the public hearing for 63 Colonial Dr. This project is to replace an existing deck and add a garage within the paved section of the driveway. The current deck in back of house is 12 feet wide. The new deck will be 16 ft. wide. Below the deck there will be pavers matching the footprint of the deck. The disturbance will be minor. The main disturbance is the piers for the deck. The footings will be sono tubes. The deck material is pressure treated wood. Mr. Franas noted that the pressure treated wood should be cut away from resource area over a tarp using a vacuum saw. The material for siding the garage is clapboard. They will be pouring a concrete slab for the garage. The builder should follow best practices. Chairman Franas asked if there were comments from the public. There were no comments from the public.

Mr. Fiske motioned to close the public hearing. Mr. Bock second. Vote all in favor.

Mr. Fiske motioned to issue an Order of Conditions for 63 Colonial Dr. for construction of a deck and garage with the standard conditions contingent upon receiving a DEP number. Mr. Bock second. Vote all in favor.

296 Killdeer Island Rd. - Chairman Franas opened the public hearing for 296 Killdeer Island Rd. The Commission had already reviewed a request for an Emergency Cert. for this property to take the foundation down because it was unstable. They have placed plywood along fence, and detached the deck from the house. It is ready to be demolished. The erosion controls are installed. There is no DEP number yet. Plans for a two story home were submitted. The exterior will be vinyl siding. Mr. Franas stated that best practices should be used and that cutting should be done away from the resource area. A Commission member asked if there were Construction sequence details. The Erosion controls need to be drawn on the plan. A Commission member asked if there are plans for storm water management. The applicant replied that an Engineer is working on that. The gutters will be tied into an underground drain. Mr. Franas stated that the rain water should be directed into dry wells. The applicant needs to submit a sequencing of events. They need to show location of dry wells, erosion controls and limit of work on the plan. The trac mat should also be indicated on the plan. These items can be hand drawn. Chairman Franas asked if there were comments from the public. There were no comments from

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the public.

Mr. Fiske motioned to close the public hearing. Mr. Bock second. Vote all in favor.

Mr. Fiske motioned to issue an Order of Conditions for 296 Killdeer Island Rd. for construction of a two story single family house with the standard conditions contingent upon receiving new plans with drywells, construction sequencing and receiving a DEP number. Mr. Bock second. Vote all in favor.

Discussion

39 Bates Grove Rd. – The Commission received a letter from the contractor asking that the Commission not require them to do any work on the bank. The Commission stated that the agreed upon wattles should be installed now. As for stabilizing the bank the Commission still feels that it should be done by hydro seeding. A Commission member suggested that an erosion control blanket could be installed first. Other members stated that this would be hard since you would have to cut brush down. The Commission would like to see the bank hydro seeded as soon as possible. The existing wattles will stay and additional wattles be added. Mr. Fiske motioned to notify the company to put down wattles as soon as possible and to hydro seed in the spring. Mr. Bock second. Vote all in favor.

Mill Brook Clogged with trash up gradient of Bigelow Rd.

Glenn Krevosky addressed the Commission because he would like to help get Mill Brook cleaned out. In the past they have used inmates to clean up the French River. They have worked with the French River Connection to clean up and they done other work up gradient of Rt. 12. Mr. Krevosky explained that there is extensive human debris in Mill Brook. There is a bike under water after Awkright Rd. There are tires and steel barrels and 6 by 6 boxes in the River. This is creating a clog which is backing up the water down gradient of Awkright Rd. This is affecting brown trout and rainbow trout which get stuck in the pool. The Brook opens up at the Dollar Store. It looks much better. The lower portion of the Brook system needs some work. They would like to go in and pull the tires out. They would like to be able to canoe up from the river to the Dollar Store. The Dept. of Fish and Wildlife said they would support him in cleaning it up. Mill Brook may have overwintering black ducks. They plan on working with the French River Connection. No machinery would be used. All the work would be done by hand. They will pull out the planks. Mr. Franas asked if they would get permission from the property owners. Mr. Krevosky would like the support of the Conservation Commission. There is also some stuff in the wetland that they will pull. Once the debris is pulled out the fine silts will wash away leaving gravel which is the best substrate for wildlife. Mr. Franas asked that Mr. Krevosky mark the area that he intends to clean up on the map. The Commission agreed to support Mr. Krevosky in his clean up of this section of Mill Brook.

French River Walk - The Conservation Commission received a request to extend the Order of Conditions. Mr. Franas noted that the request did not have the correct dates and asked that they resubmit their request with the correct dates. Mr. Fiske motioned to extend existing order for French River Walk Dep 323-0994. Mr. Bock second. Vote all in favor.

National Grid submitted their yearly herbicide operation plan. Mr. Fiske motioned to accept The National Grid Yearly Operation Plan. Mr. Bock second. Vote all in favor.

42 Union Point Rd. At the last meeting the Commission denied the Request for an extension to the

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Order of Conditions for 42 Union point Rd. because it had already been extended twice. However, the state does not limit the number of extensions. The Commission may at their discretion deny an extension for other reasons. The storm water management rules have changed. Mr. Fiske motioned to ask for updated plans which include storm water management. Mr. Franas second. Vote all in favor.

Lake Pizza - Mr. Franas stopped by and found that there is no watershed in there and did not see any areas that look intermittent. There did not seem to be an issue. All the vegetation that was removed is Japanese Knotweed.

Mr. Fiske motioned to adjourn. Mr. Bock second: vote all in favor.

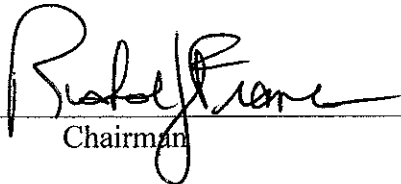
The meeting was adjourned at 6:40 pm.

Next Meeting Date: Jan. 9, 2017 Basement Conference Room

Respectfully submitted,
Mary Overholt
Conservation Agent

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Conservation Commission Approval:


Chairman

Date:

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